

# Neighborhood Transformation Grants

Empowering communities to implement community-driven development!

The **Neighborhood Transformation Grants NOFA** from the Community Development Administration is seeking project proposals in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs) and Economic Justice Index areas in the city. Non-profit organizations - especially Community Development Corporations (CDCs) and neighborhood associations - are encouraged to submit a wide range of proposals like gardens and parks on vacant land, construction projects, hiring staff, back office support, minor to medium home renovations, home repairs, and more.

The \$20,250,000 of grant funding comes from State & Local Fiscal Relief Funds (SLFRF), a part of the American Rescue Plan.

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**Respondent Workshop - Compliance**

**Requirements & Best Practices:** May 1, 2023

**Proposal due date:** May 15, 2023



[www.stlouis-mo.gov/cda/neighborhood-nofa](http://www.stlouis-mo.gov/cda/neighborhood-nofa)

**Available Funds: \$20,250,000**

1. **Housing Production: \$6.75 M**
2. **Proactive Development: \$4 M**
3. **Home Repair: \$5 M**
4. **Neighborhood Beautification & Capacity Building: \$4.5 M**



The **Community Development Administration (CDA)** serves as the City of St. Louis' clearinghouse for federal, state, and local funds. CDA works to implement the Mayor's economic justice agenda by funding a wide range of public and nonprofit entities to provide public services, build affordable housing, combat blight, and conduct various other community development activities.

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## Eligible Uses:

### Housing Production:

- Requirements: affordable housing (For Sale @ 80% AMI; rental @ 50% AMI), tenant protections, quality standards
- Priorities: developing LRA Property, rehab of vacant buildings, Low Budget (<\$100K/unit)

### Proactive Development:

- Eligible uses: predevelopment, site acquisition, environmental remediation for projects which meet a community need
- Presumptively eligible projects: educational facilities, health facilities, affordable housing, food access, green space, and more

### Home Repair:

- Requirements: owner-occupied homes, income-eligible (<80% AMI), contractor commitments detailing crew capacity & guaranteed maximum price
- Priority repairs: ADA accessibility, carpentry, electrical, plumbing; energy efficiency & weatherization, and more

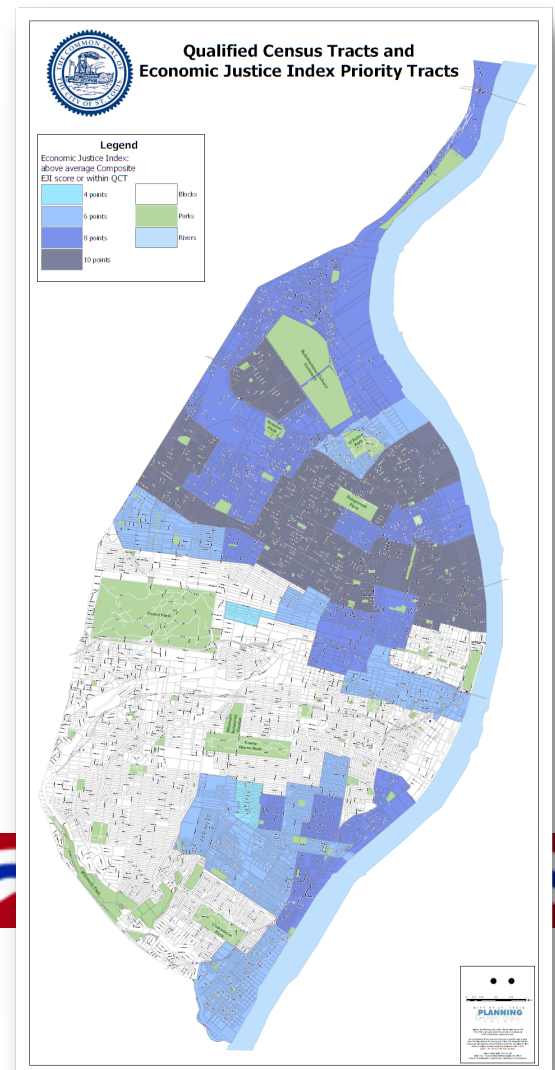
### Neighborhood Beautification & Capacity Building

- Beautification: neighborhood clean-up, parks & gardens, redeveloping vacant lots, lot maintenance, and more
- Capacity building: Operating Support Grants (FTEs, Contractual Services), technical assistance & back office support



To ensure a competitive application process, please send questions in writing to [cddnofa@stlouis-mo.gov](mailto:cddnofa@stlouis-mo.gov). All applicant Q&As will be published online.

**Eligible Respondents and Geography:** all activities proposed for funding must be in Economic Justice Index areas and QCTs.



## Who can apply? Teams encouraged!

- Respondents must be non-profit institutions with development capacity except for construction contractors and housing developers: Neighborhood Associations, CDCs, CDA Certified Community-Based Development Organizations (CBDO), and non-profits engaged in development activities.
- Respondents focused on the same geography are encouraged to submit joint applications to present a comprehensive community-driven development plan for the target geography. **Teams are strongly encouraged!**

## Evaluation Criteria

- **Applicant Qualifications & Experience:** Capacity to comply with regulatory requirements; specialized experience, technical competence of the organization and staff
- **Proposed Work Plan & KPIs:** Neighborhood transformation strategy; budget, sources, uses & leverage; KPIs
- **Community Support:** commitment letters, public forum, and geographic priorities
- **Geographic Priorities:** Economic Justice Index; Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas; Community Assets proximity - schools, transit, etc. Note: extra points will be awarded to projects in overlapping priorities (see map).

## Compliance Requirements

- Monthly financial and programmatic reporting
- Sam.gov ID required -> **register now!**
- Proof of adequate insurance required
- Awards > \$750,000 -> Single Federal Audit
- Awards > \$1,000,000 -> Written Capital Expenditure Justification
- Advance funding requests will be considered



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